

# **PUBLIC NOTICE**

**November 27, 2012**

**The City of Springfield is the recipient of Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).**

**The City of Springfield has designated Greater Springfield Habitat for Humanity, Inc. (GSHFH) as a qualified Developer for projects utilizing NSP funds.**

**GSHFH conducts outreach to community groups, neighborhood associations, churches, community centers, etc. The organization holds informational meetings and solicits applications for income eligible applicants to become beneficiaries of their services.**

**GSHFH was selected by the City to construct a single family home, using NSP funds, on a vacant parcel now known as 237 Quincy Street.**

**Following their lengthy application and certification process, GSHFH, independent of any City involvement, chose an eligible family. Per GSHFH policy, the family is required to complete 250 – 400 hours of “sweat equity,” or volunteer service, for GSHFH. Upon completion of such service, the home will be deeded to the eligible family and GSHFH will hold a 30-year mortgage on the property.**

**The head of the above family is a Springfield School Department employee.**

**While the City of Springfield, due to its non-participation in the application and selection process, believes a conflict does not exist, it acknowledges the potential appearance of a conflict. As such, the City is posting this notice and informing HUD of the circumstances of this important NSP Project**